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DETAILED ACTION

Termination of Proceedings in Response to Board Decision on Appeal

1. The period for seeking court review of the decision rendered by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on June 23, 2003 and September 17, 2003 has expired and no further action has been taken by the appellant. The proceeding as to claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 13, 14, 16-20, 27 and 28 are considered terminated. See 37 CFR 1.197(c).

Disposition of Objected To Claims

2. The application will be passed to issue on allowed claim provided the following formal matters are promptly corrected: claims 4, 7, and 21 are objected to as depending upon rejected claims and should be rewritten in independent form including all limitations of the claims from which they depend; and claims 8-12, 15, and 22-26 are withdrawn claims which must be canceled in order to pass the allowable claims to issue. Prosecution is otherwise closed.

Applicant is required to make the necessary corrections addressing the outstanding formal matters within a shortened statutory period set to expire ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this letter. Extensions of time may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136.

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3. Any inquiry concerning this communication, or earlier communications, should be directed to the examiner, Steven B. McAllister, whose telephone number is (703) 308-7052.


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